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(54) **ADAPTER FOR A GROUND ENGAGING MACHINE IMPLEMENT**

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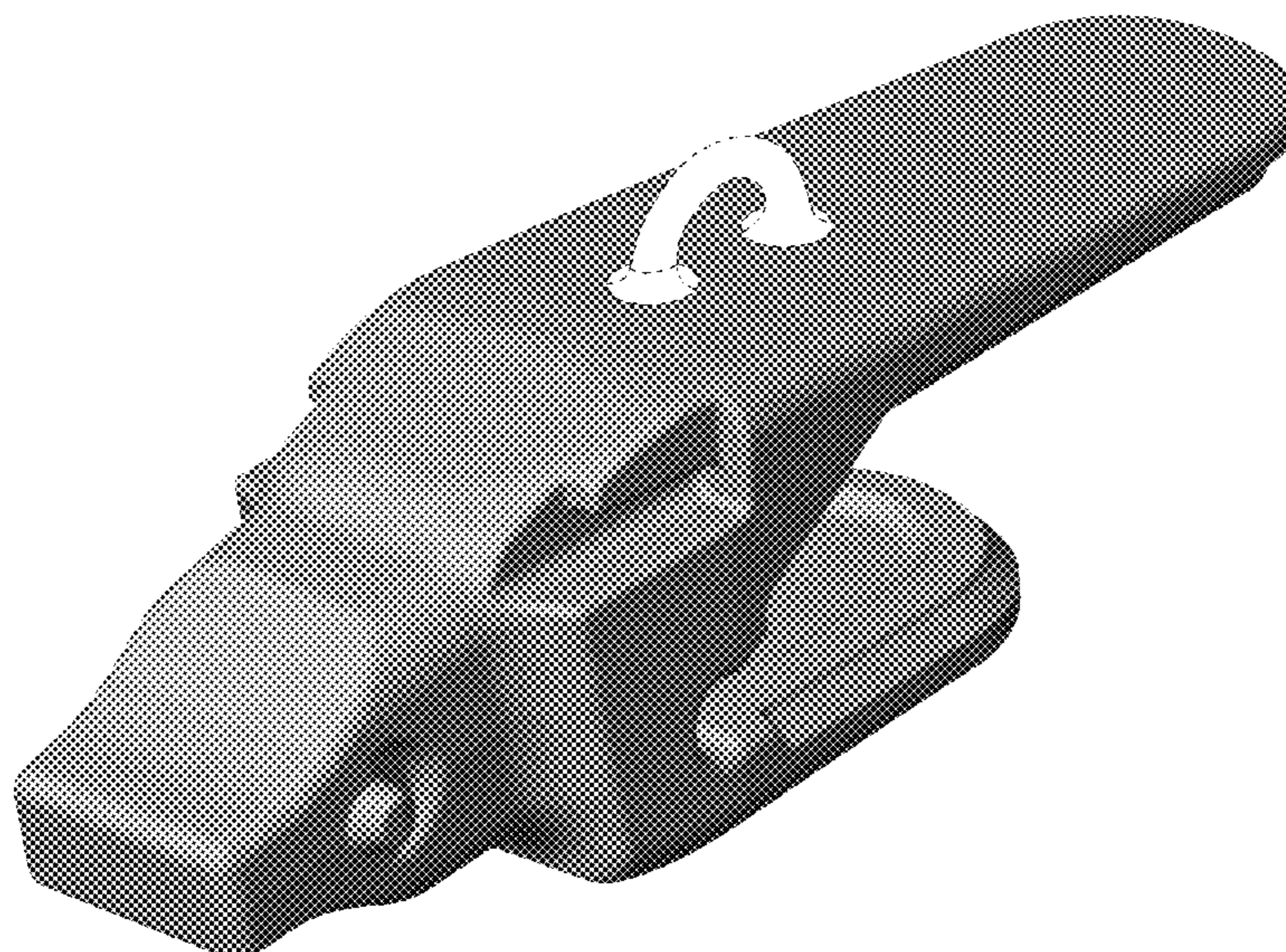
(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for an adapter for a ground engaging machine implement, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a front perspective view of an adapter for a ground engaging machine implement showing our new design; FIG. 2 is a front view thereof; FIG. 3 is a rear view thereof; FIG. 4 is a left side view thereof; FIG. 5 is a right side view thereof; FIG. 6 is a top view thereof; and, FIG. 7 is a bottom view thereof. Grayscale shading illustrates contour. The broken lines illustrate structure or features which form no part of the claimed design.

1 Claim, 5 Drawing Sheets



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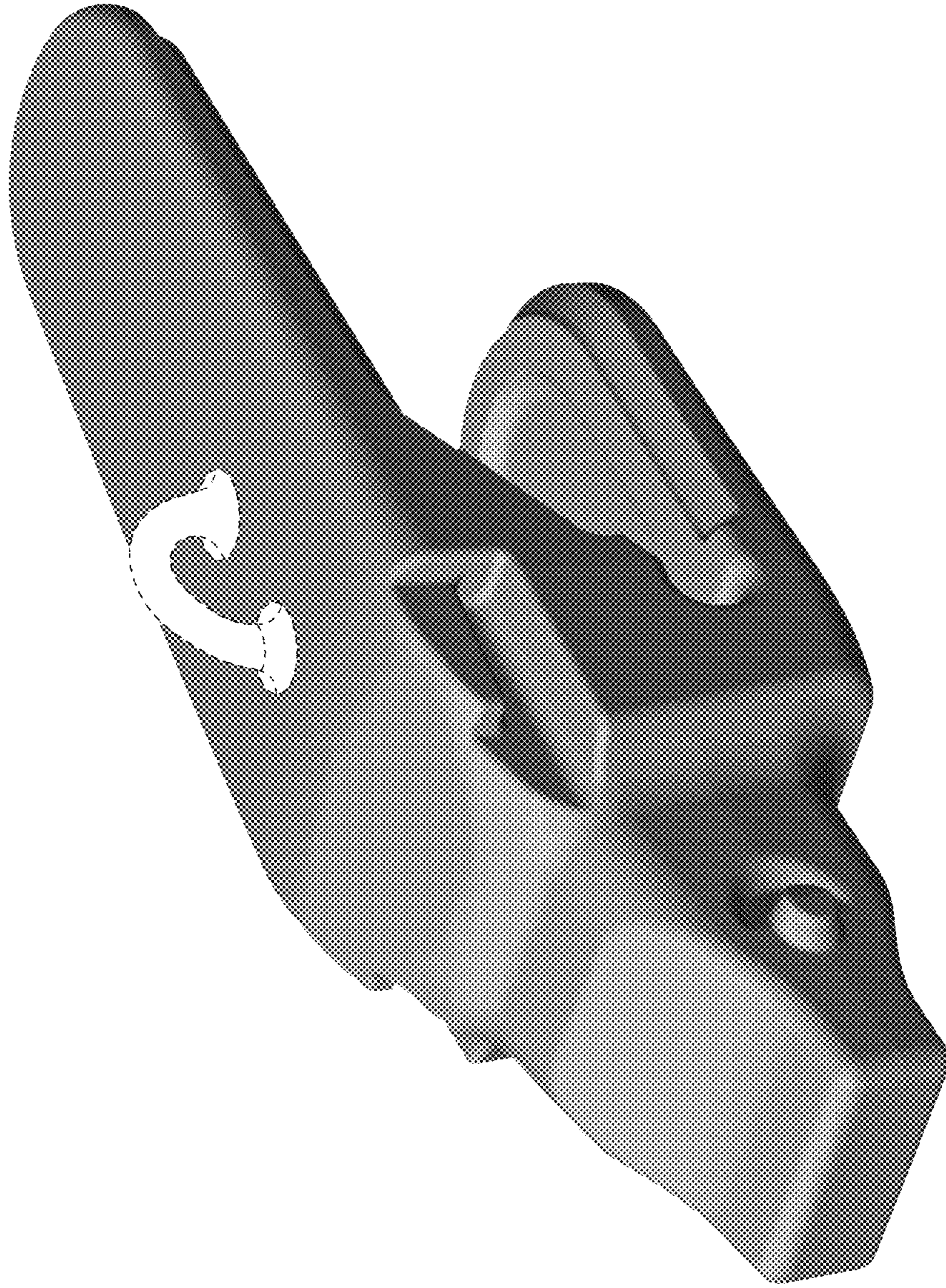


FIG. 1

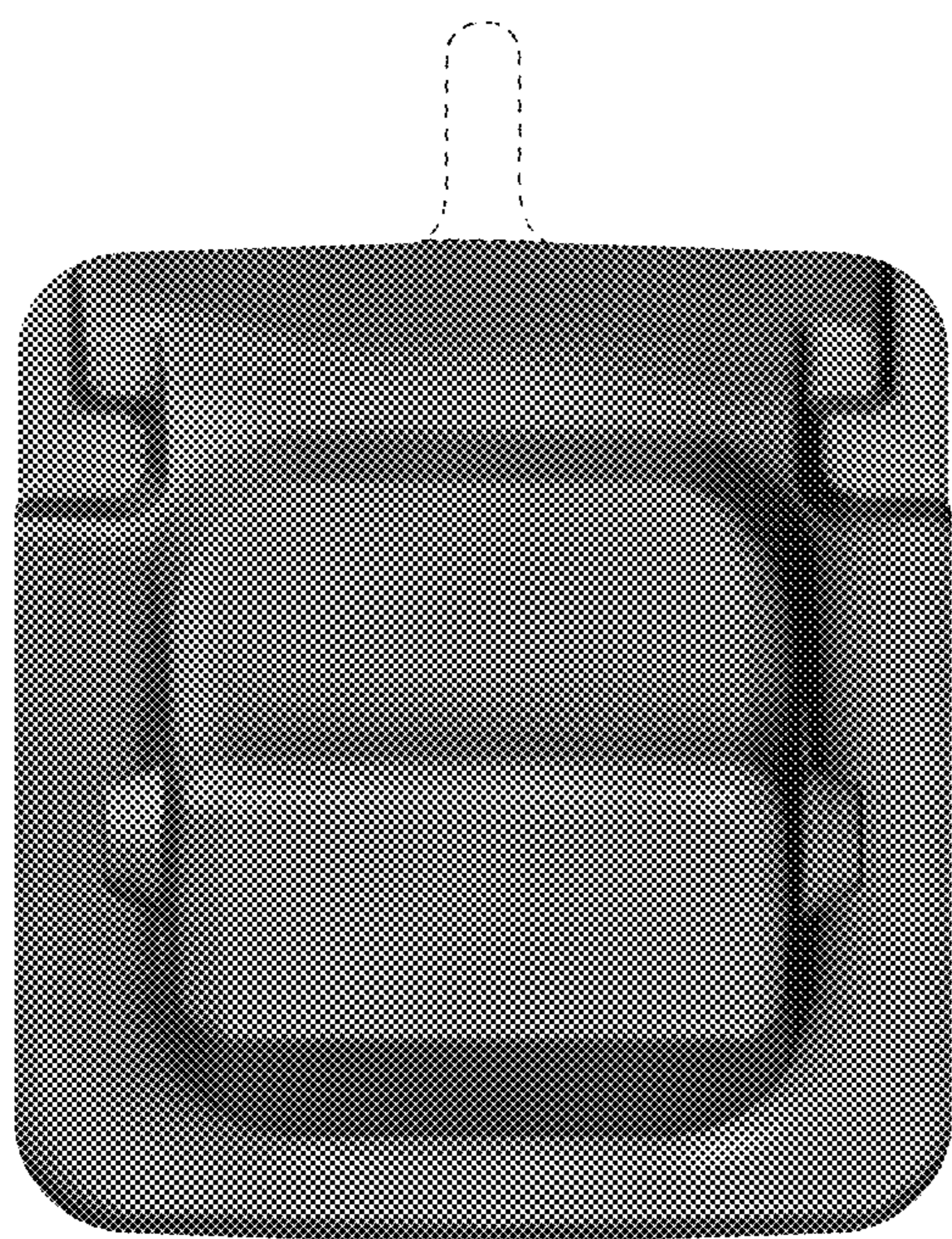


FIG. 2

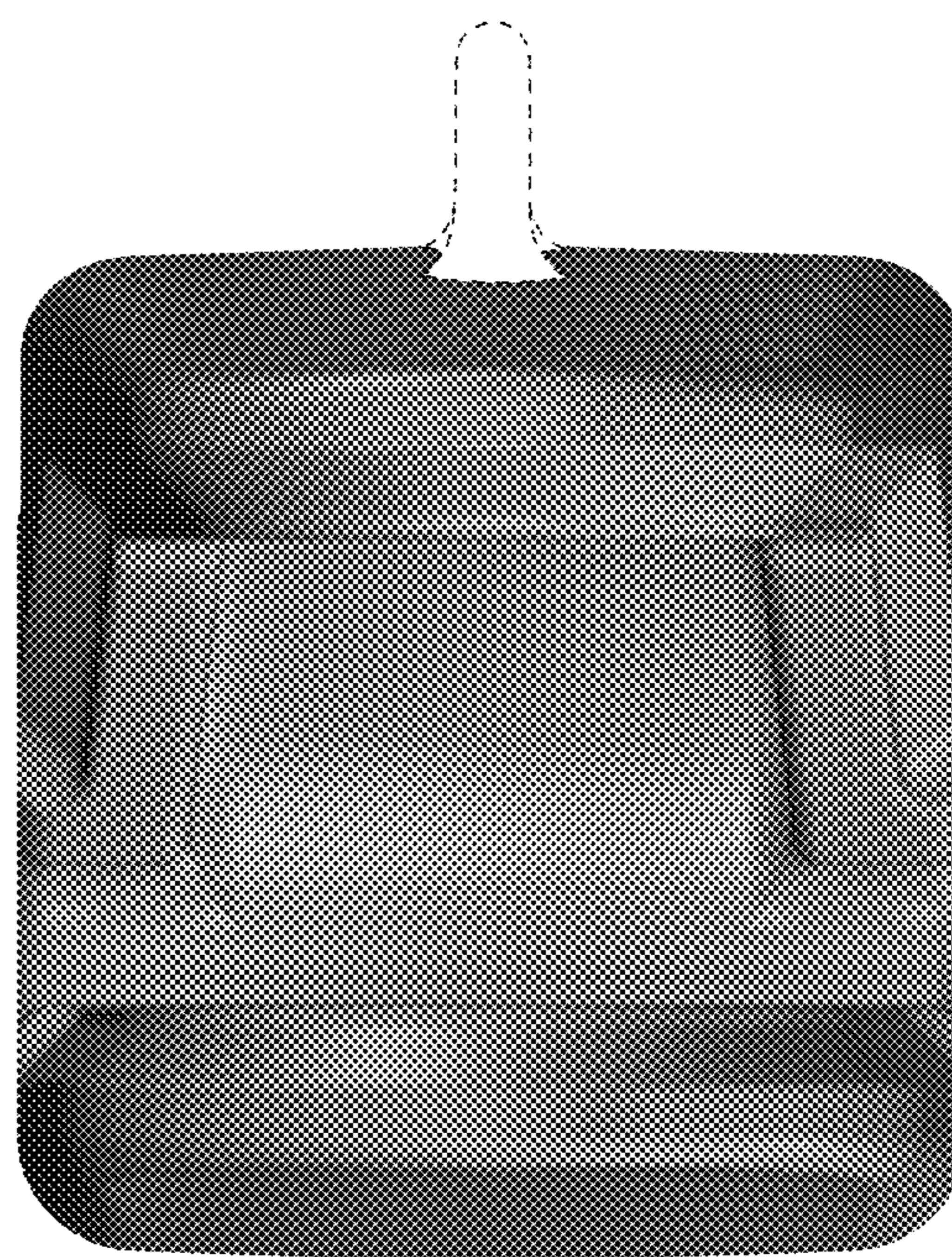


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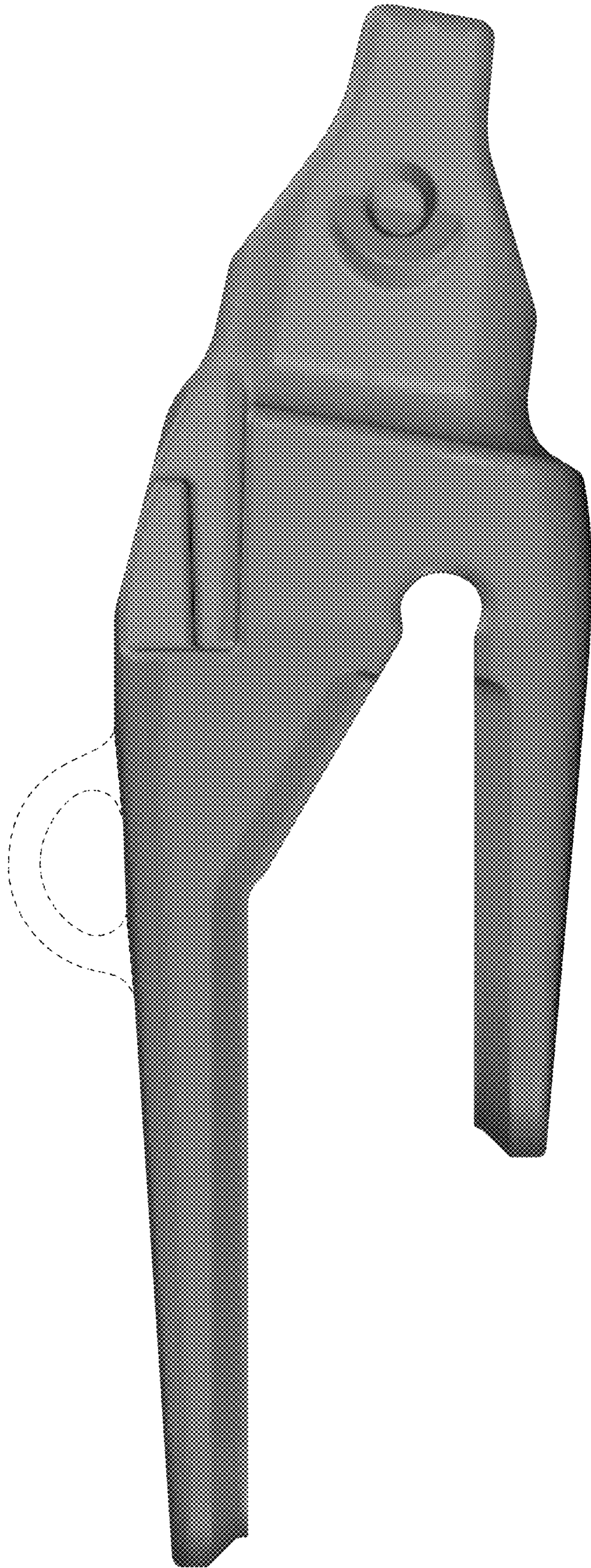


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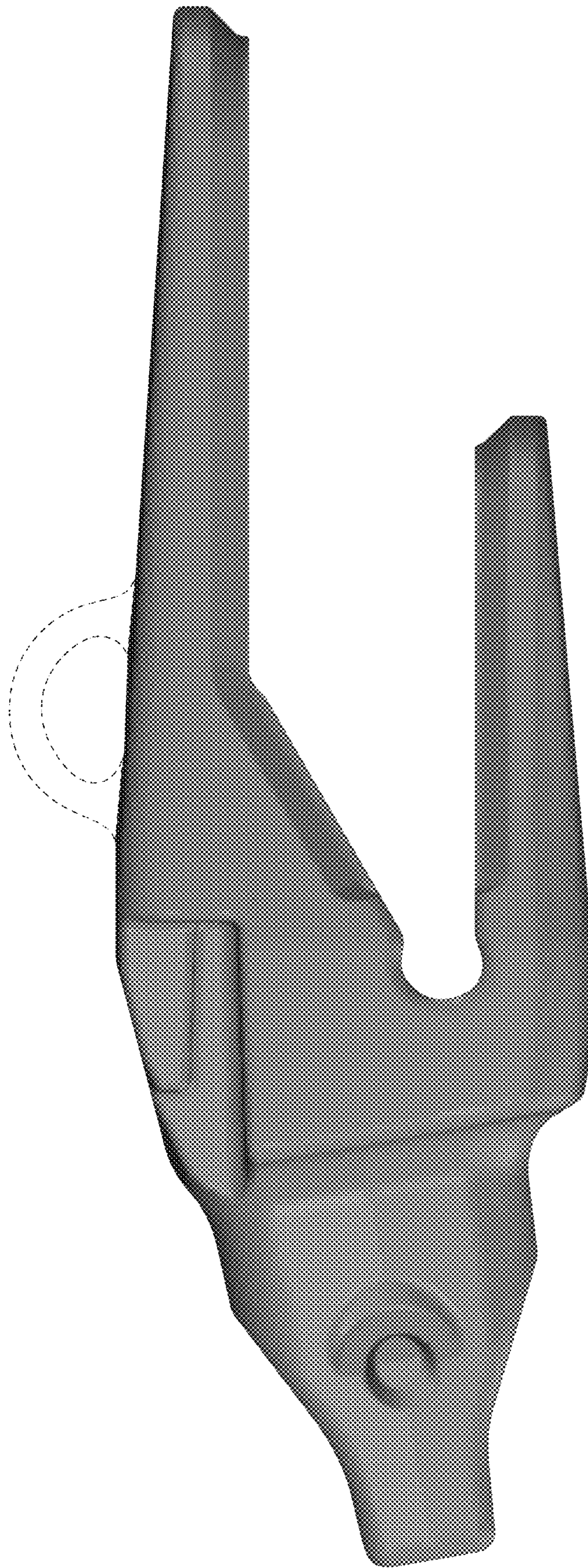


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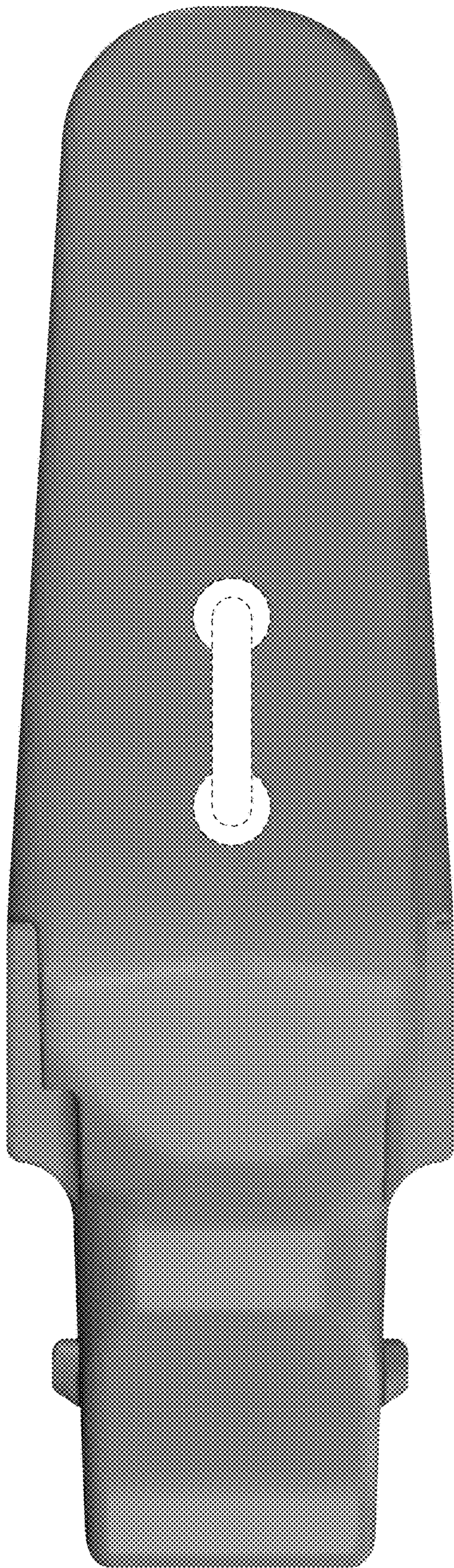


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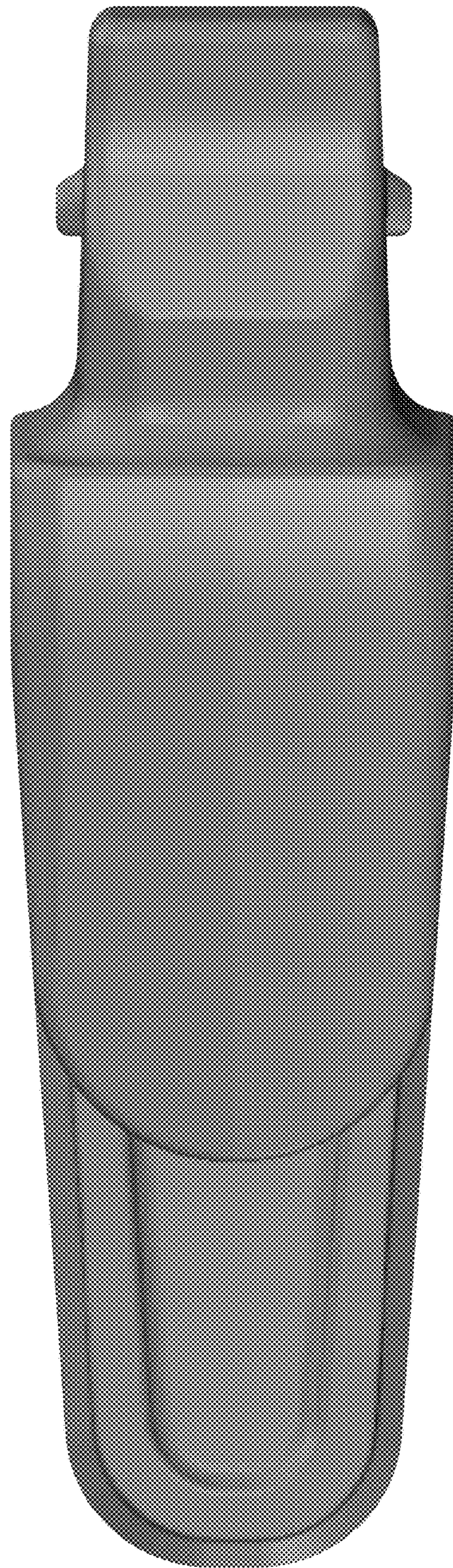


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